MINUTES WEST VALLEY LAND USE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

January 28, 2020

Paul McKenzie called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Committee members present were, Barbara Long, Monty Long, Paul McKenzie, Steven Alejandro, Bruce Colburn A quorum was present. Paul McKenzie served as secretary.

The draft minutes from the 3/28/2017 meeting of the WVLUAC were reviewed. Monty L. made the motion to accept the minutes as presented, second by Bruce C. Question was called and motion passed unopposed.

AGENDA

Draft agenda was reviewed and accepted. Paul M. led the meeting as the only member present who had attended a meeting of WVLUAC.

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

Paul M. called for general public comment on any issues related to the West Valley planning area. No public comment was presented.

OLD BUSINESS

The various members of the committee provided a brief introduction, who they are, why they are interested in serving on the Committee. We reviewed the roster of members and noted we currently do not have good representation of large scale agriculture on the committee, although Steve A. does conduct small scale farming on his property. Opportunity to reach out to the Ag community over the next months to generate interest and find candidates for the committee.

Paul M gave a little history on the WV Plan, previous revision attempts and types of projects that have traditionally generated the most public interest. The various members of the committee commented on what has changed in WV since 1997 and where the current plan falls short in reflecting character and land uses in the neighborhood.

Discussion of how the planning office views the plan. Some felt the planning office has deemed the plan outdated and irrelevant. The WVLUAC has not reviewed a project since 2017, unsure why, although for at least part of that time, there were not enough committee members appointed to convene a quorum. It was suggested we need to get the planning office to one of our meetings shortly to understand the current status of the WV Plan and how it relates to the new Growth Policy and other Planning efforts across the county.

NEW BUSINESS:

The committee conducted leadership elections:

Monty L. made the motion for Paul McKenzie to serve as Secretary, second by Steve A. Question was called and motion passed unopposed.

Bruce C. made the motion for Steve Alejandro to serve as Chairman, second by Monty L. Question was called and motion passed unopposed.

Monty L. made the motion for Bruce C. to serve as Vice Chairman, second by Steve A. Question was called and motion passed unopposed.

Steve A will contact the planning office with a request to have the Planning Director or other knowledgeable Staff attend our next meeting so we can explore the relevancy of the current plan, what new requirements there are for an updated neighborhood plan and what the process for update looks like. It would also be good to get a current map of the neighborhood plan boundaries and adjacent planning areas such as annexed city zones or other changes

Steve A will review a couple of the other Neighborhood plans that have been recently updated to compare our current plan format and content to that of the new plans.

It was suggested the committee members may want to familiarize themselves with the new County Growth policy and see how neighborhood planning is addressed in there, specifically anything about West Valley.

It was agreed that the committee should meet on a monthly basis for a while to get up to speed and chart a path ahead if plan revision is decided upon. The Grange agreed to allow us to hold monthly meetings so long as it is just primarily the board. Large public hearings would trigger the need to pay hall rental of \$175/day. At that point, the committee will need to secure another venue as it has no budget to pay hall rental.

The committee discussed meeting notice protocol. For now, continuing with posting agenda at the prescribed location and notifying the Planning Office so they can include meetings on their web calendar. If we need more public exposure, we will need to pursue other venues for notice of meetings.

Next meeting is February 25th, 2020

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:30pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Paul R. McKenzie Secretary WVLUAC